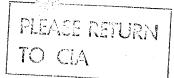
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TO: SAIGON

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PROM: DIRECTOR 78141

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B. SAIGON CRITIC NO. 1

- 1. IN FUTURE DO NOT REPRAT NOT PUT MESSAGES RE COUP
 PLOTS OR RUMORS IN CRITIC CHANNEL. RATHER YOU SHOULD SLUG
 THEM IMMEDIATE ATTENTION FOR MR. MC CONE.
- 2. AS INDICATED CAS TIRTS AND SEPARATE CABLE BEING
 SENT AMBASSADOR AND GENERAL HARKINS, WE HERE ARE CONCERNED
 AT POSSIBILITIES OF DON LEADING CONEIN (AND THRU HIM UNITED
 STATES) DOWN GAEDEN PATH TO CONTROL OUR EFFORTS AT LEAST,
 TO ENTRAP CONEIN AT MOST. THUS BELIEVE IT ESSENTIAL WE
 DEVELOP SOME OF PROTECTIONS OUTLINED CAS 77876, ESPECIALLY
 TO BRING SOME DEGREE DENIABILITY FOR AMBASSADOR AND GENERAL
 HARKINS INTO PICTURE.
- 3. CAS WASHINGTON NOW ENGAGED IN EFFORT IDENTIFY AND SEPARATE THE DIFFERENT COUP GROUPS, THEIR INTERRELATIONSHIPS AND OVERLAPS AND THEIR COMPARATIVE MERITS FROM U. S. VIEWPOIN'S WILL CABLE OUTLINE TO YOU AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, BUT MEANWHILE INVITE YOUR URGENT ATTENTION TO A SIMILAR EFFORT TO UNTANGLE THE SEPARATE THREADS IN THIS SEEIN.

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